

It is a real pleasure being here, Mr. President. Three weeks ago on November 11, when you said this is the toughest job in Washington, I didn't realize what a master of understatement you were. [Laughter]

The experience I have had in the last 2 weeks leads me to believe that the United States Senate took you too seriously on this 5 percent personnel reduction. They were about to abolish the position of Secretary of Agriculture, I think. [Laughter]

But it is a real challenge being a member of your team and knowing, as I do, your deep concern for the welfare of our farmers and that, as you said, something will be done immediately.

Immediately is pretty fast, you know. But we are going to go to work promptly on raising farm income, on getting prices up to a satisfactory level. As I said when you announced the change in the Secretary of Agriculture, the price of corn is too low, and that kind of statement doesn't leave much room for interpretation.

THE PRESIDENT. You are going to do something about it tomorrow? [Laughter]

SECRETARY BUTZ. Mr. President, the answer is yes, since you put it that way. But we have a tremendous resource in the Department of Agriculture. We have a tremendous resource in American agriculture, as you are aware.

Just yesterday you met with one of the great resources we have in American agriculture, and that is our young men and young women who man the farms and farm homes in the rural communities of America. I am delighted that you met with them.

Our agriculture is the real basis of affluence in America. The first law of life is food. We produce our food in this country with only 5 percent of our working population on the farms of America. That releases 95 percent to make everything else that makes life so wonderful in America. And we give our food to the American consumer for only 16½ percent of his disposable income.

No place else on the earth do people get their food in such abundance, such high quality, and at such low prices as in America. It is so low, Mr. President, that our farmers don't get paid enough for it.

I am going to be coming to you and George Shultz from time to time, and perhaps asking for more than you can give us, but I am going to ask for it and I am going to press vigorously for it.

You said you wanted an aggressive, articulate spokesman for agriculture in the White House, and Mr. President, you have got him. [Applause]

To me it is good to know I have some friends in this town. It may be more vigorous than you want, but I want to assure you and to assure everybody in the United States that we are going to do our level best to achieve your stated goal that no American ever goes to bed in this country hungry or malnourished.

Our agriculture is productive enough and our country is affluent. I think we have a legitimate goal, and I think

for the first time in history we can achieve a situation where nobody does go to bed hungry or malnourished.

So we want to use our agriculture plant to produce a world where people eat well and feel well and live well so that we can have a generation of peace.

Thank you very much. [Applause]

THE PRESIDENT. I will just add to what he needs to be. He needs to be not only articulate, as he is, as he has just demonstrated, and tenacious, as he obviously will be, but he also has to be a magician.

I just met with a group of farm editors out in Chicago yesterday, and I was trying to think of the right thing to say, and I said, "I think corn prices are too low." Then I shook hands with all the farm editors who came through. One fellow came through and he was a hog producer. He said, "I like low corn prices." [Laughter]

So if you raise the price of corn, be sure that you don't do it at the expense of the hog producers. [Laughter]

SECRETARY BUTZ. Well, now, Mr. President, there are some things— [Laughter]

NOTE: The President spoke at 5:05 p.m. in his office at the White House. As printed above, this item follows the text of the White House press releases.

## Security Clearances for U.S. Employees of NATO, SEATO, and CENTO

Executive Order 11633. December 3, 1971

SECURITY CLEARANCE PROGRAM FOR UNITED STATES CITIZENS EMPLOYED DIRECTLY BY THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION, THE SOUTH-EAST ASIA TREATY ORGANIZATION, AND THE CENTRAL TREATY ORGANIZATION

The United States now participates in the activities of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), the South-East Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO), and the Central Treaty Organization (CENTO). The security regulations of these three treaty organizations provide that each participating nation shall be responsible for the security screening and security clearance of its own citizens before they are authorized access to the Organization's TOP SECRET, SECRET, or CONFIDENTIAL information. There is no existing program, however, under which United States civilians who are hired directly by these organizations can be screened and cleared for access to such Organization's TOP SECRET, SECRET, or CONFIDENTIAL information while so employed. It is, of course, in the interest of the United States that United States citizens who participate in the activities of NATO, SEATO, and CENTO as direct hire employees of the civil or military agencies of those organizations be reliable, trustworthy, of good conduct and character, and of complete and unswerving loyalty to the

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United States. At the same time, it is a fundamental principle of our Government to protect against unreasonable or unwarranted encroachment on the freedom and privacy of individuals.

I have determined that the provisions and procedures prescribed by this Order are necessary to assure the preservation of the integrity of the classified information of NATO, SEATO, and CENTO, and to protect the national interest. I have also determined that these provisions and procedures recognize the rights of individuals affected thereby and provide maximum possible safeguards to protect such rights.

Now, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the United States, and as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, it is ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. The Secretary of Defense shall establish a program and, by regulation, shall prescribe such specific requirements, restrictions, and other safeguards as he considers necessary for the administration of procedures whereby "Certificates of Security Clearance" for the United States citizens directly employed by civil or military agencies of NATO, SEATO, or CENTO may be provided to these international organizations when they so request. Such program shall also provide for the denial, revocation, or suspension of such "Certificates."

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RICHARD NIXON

The White House  
December 3, 1971

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NOTE: Executive Order 11633 was released in Key Biscayne, Fla.

## Digest of Other White House Announcements

Following is a listing of items of general interest which were announced to the press during the period covered by this issue but which are not carried elsewhere in the

issue. Appointments requiring Senate approval are not included since they appear in the list of nominations submitted to the Senate, below.

### November 30

Counsellor to the President Robert H. Finch met with the President at the White House to present a preliminary report on his recent trip to Latin America.

The President has sent a letter to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives informing them as required by law that he has signed a determination that it is in the national interest for the Export-Import Bank of the United States to guarantee, insure, extend credit, and participate in the extension of credit in connection with the purchase or lease of any product or service by, for use in, or for sale or lease to the Socialist Republic of Romania.

President Hubert Maga of Dahomey will meet with the President at the White House on December 9.

### December 1

The President has today acknowledged the retirement of Julius J. Hoffman as a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, effective upon the appointment and qualification of a successor.

The President today announced the appointment of Rita R. Campbell as a member of the Committee on the Health Services Industry, replacing Martin S. Feldstein who is unable to accept his appointment because of previous commitments.

During his visit to Chicago, the President met with a group of editors of farm publications.

### December 2

The President today announced the appointment of the following persons as members of the Financial Investment Advisory Panel for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, representing the Secretary of the Treasury:

RICHARD V. ADAMS, of Cleveland, Ohio, Special Assistant to the Secretary for Debt Management, Department of the Treasury, succeeding Murray L. Weidenbaum, who has resigned.

JACK FRANKLIN BENNETT, of Greenwich, Conn., Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury for Monetary Affairs, succeeding Bruce K. MacLaury, who has resigned.

Gordon Metcalf, Chairman of Sears Roebuck and Company, and William Batten, Chairman of J. C. Penney Company, met with the President at the White House.

Prime Minister Golda Meir of Israel met with the President at the White House.

The President telephoned former Speaker of the House John W. McCormack to express condolences on the death of Mrs. McCormack, and designated Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Elliot L. Richardson to represent him at the funeral services.

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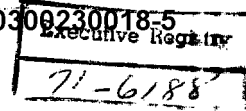
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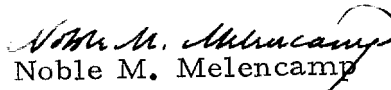
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 6, 1971

Dear Mr. Director:

The enclosed copy of an Executive Order by the President entitled "Security Clearance Program for United States Citizens Employed Directly by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the South-East Asia Treaty Organization, and the Central Treaty Organization" is transmitted for the files of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Sincerely,

  
Noble M. Melencamp

Honorable Richard Helms  
Director of Central Intelligence  
Washington, D.C. 20505

Enclosure

Office of the White House Press Secretary  
(Key Biscayne, Florida)

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December 3, 1971

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